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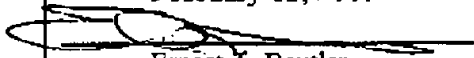
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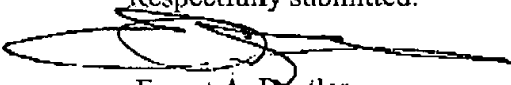
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Dear Sir:

On December 29, 2004 applicant filed a request to the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw his objection to the drawings as failing to show that the depth of the slot that receives the coupling pin is less than the thickness of the gear. This feature is clearly shown in both FIGS 3 and 5. Since the date for paying the Issue and Publication Fees is approaching it would be appreciated if the Examiner would reply to this request.

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